Executive Summary – Enforcement Matter – Case No. 49607 City of Huntington RN102184355 Docket No. 2014-1648-MWD-E

Order Type:

1660 Agreed Order

Findings Order Justification:

N/A

Media:

MWD

Small Business:

Yes

Location(s) Where Violation(s) Occurred:

City of Huntington WWTF, located approximately one mile southeast of the intersection of U.S. Highway 69 and Farm-to-Market Road 1669 between the Southern Pacific Railroad and Shawnee Creek. Angelina County

Type of Operation:

Wastewater treatment facility

Other Significant Matters:

Additional Pending Enforcement Actions: No

Past-Due Penalties: No

Other: N/A

Interested Third-Parties: None

Texas Register Publication Date: April 10, 2015

Comments Received: No

Penalty Information

Total Penalty Assessed: \$10,312

Amount Deferred for Expedited Settlement: \$2,062 Amount Deferred for Financial Inability to Pay: \$0

Total Paid to General Revenue: \$0 **Total Due to General Revenue:** \$0

Payment Plan: N/A

Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP") Conditional Offset: \$8,250

Name of SEP: Compliance

Compliance History Classifications:

Person/CN - Satisfactory Site/RN - Satisfactory

Major Source: No

Statutory Limit Adjustment: N/A Applicable Penalty Policy: April 2014

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Investigation Information

Complaint Date(s): N/A **Complaint Information**: N/A

Date(s) of Investigation: July 30, 2014 Date(s) of NOE(s): October 23, 2014

Violation Information

Failed to comply with permitted effluent limits for ammonia nitrogen, total suspended solids, and *Escherichia coli* [Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0010191001, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 1].

Corrective Actions/Technical Requirements

Corrective Action(s) Completed:

N/A

Technical Requirements:

- 1. The Order will require the Respondent to implement and complete a SEP (see SEP Attachment A).
- 2. The Order will also require the Respondent to, within 270 days, submit written certification of compliance with the permitted effluent limitations of TPDES Permit No. WQ0010191001, including specific corrective actions that were implemented at the Facility to achieve compliance and copies of the most current self-reported discharge monitoring reports, demonstrating at least three consecutive months of compliance with all permitted effluent limitations.

Litigation Information

Date Petition(s) Filed: N/A Date Answer(s) Filed: N/A SOAH Referral Date: N/A Hearing Date(s): N/A Settlement Date: N/A

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Contact Information

TCEQ Attorney: N/A

TCEQ Enforcement Coordinator: Larry Butler, Enforcement Division,

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MC 219, (512) 239-1456

TCEQ SEP Coordinator: Meaghan Bailey, SEP Coordinator, Litigation Division, MC

175, (512) 239-0205

Respondent: The Honorable Frank Harris, Mayor, City of Huntington, P.O. Box 349,

Huntington, Texas 75949

R. Dale Brown, Interim City Manager, City of Huntington, P.O. Box 349, Huntington,

Texas 75949

Respondent's Attorney: N/A

Attachment A

Docket Number: 2014-1648-MWD-E SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	City of Huntington
Penalty Amount:	Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,250)
SEP Offset Amount:	Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,250)
Type of SEP:	Compliance SEP
Project Name:	Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements
Location of SEP:	Angelina County

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset the administrative Penalty Amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to perform a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The SEP Offset Amount is set forth above and such offset is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment A.

1. Project Description

A. Project

The Respondent is a Local Government that qualifies under Texas Water Code § 7.067 to apply the SEP Offset Amount set forth above to correct violations at its wastewater treatment plant, which are described in this Agreed Order. This Agreed Order cites violations at the Respondent's wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). The Respondent shall purchase and install two floating aerators for the WWTP's diversion pond and diffusers for the chlorine contact chamber (the "Project"). The Respondent shall solicit bids from qualified and licensed contractors to install the floating aerators and diffusers. Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount shall be used for materials, supplies, contract labor, and equipment, and for one or more of the following: floating aerators, and diffusers.

Any advertisements, including solicitation for bids publication related to the SEP, must include the enforcement statement as stated in Section 6, Publicity. The Project will be performed in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations, including obtaining any permits that may be required prior to commencement of the work.

The Respondent shall use the SEP Offset Amount only for the direct cost of implementing the Project, including supplies, materials, and equipment rentals, as listed in Subsection C, Minimum Expenditure, Estimated Cost Schedule. No portion of the SEP Offset Amount shall be spent on administrative costs, including but not limited to operating costs, reporting expenses, handling of expenses, project coordination, liability, or equipment breakdowns.

The Respondent's signature affixed to the attached Agreed Order certifies that the Respondent is performing the Compliance SEP solely as part of the terms of settlement in this enforcement action.

B. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide a discernible environmental benefit by improving the quality of wastewater effluent being released into the environment. Inadequately treated effluent can carry bacteria, viruses, protozoa (parasitic organisms), helminthes (intestinal worms), and bioaerosols (inhalable molds and fungi). The diseases they may cause range in severity from mild gastroenteritis (causing stomach cramps and diarrhea) to life-threatening ailments such as cholera, dysentery, infectious hepatitis, and severe gastroenteritis.

C. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall spend at least the SEP Offset Amount to complete the Project described in Section 1, above, and comply with all other provisions of this SEP. The Respondent understands that it may cost more than the SEP Offset Amount to complete the Project.

Estimated Cost Schedule

Item	Quantity	Cost	Units	Total
Floating Aerator including installation, piping, and electrical work	2	\$3,500	Each	\$7,000
Diffusers for Chlorine Contact Chamber including installation, piping and electrical work	1	\$1,250	Each	\$1,250
Total				\$8,250

2. Performance Schedule

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent shall begin implementation of the SEP. The Respondent shall have completed the SEP in its entirety within 180 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order.

3. Records and Reporting

A. Progress Report

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent shall submit a Notice of Commencement to the TCEQ describing actions performed to date to implement the Project. Within 90 days of the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent shall submit a report detailing the progress made and all actions completed on the Project during the previous 60-day period and setting forth a schedule for

achieving completion of the Project within the 180-day time-frame set forth in Section 2, Performance Schedule, above. Thereafter, the Respondent shall submit progress reports to the TCEQ containing detailed information on all actions completed on the Project to date as set forth in the Reporting Schedule table below:

Days from Effective Order Date	Information Required
30	Notice of Commencement describing actions taken to begin project
90	Actions completed during previous 60-day period
180	Notice of SEP completion

B. Final Report

Within 180 days after the effective date of the Agreed Order, or within 30 days after completion of SEP, whichever is earlier, the Respondent shall submit a Final Report to the TCEQ, which shall include the following:

- 1. Itemized list of expenditures and total cost of the Project;
- 2. Copies of invoices, paid receipts, cleared checks or payment records corresponding to the itemized list in paragraph 3.B.1., above;
- 3. Proof of publication of invitation for bids (publication must include the enforcement statement, as stated in Section 6, Publicity;
- 4. Dated photographs of the purchased equipment; the equipment being removed; before and after work being performed during the installation process; and of the completed Project;
- 5. A notarized/certified statement and supporting documentation demonstrating the quantifiable environmental benefits achieved as a result of the Project; and
- 6. Any additional information demonstrating compliance with this Attachment A.

C. Address

The Respondent shall submit all SEP reports and any additional information as requested to the following address:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Litigation Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

4. Additional Information and Access

The Respondent shall provide additional information as requested by TCEQ staff, and shall allow access to all records related to the SEP Offset Amount. The Respondent shall also allow representatives of the TCEQ access to the site of any work being financed in whole or in part by the SEP Offset Amount. This provision shall survive the termination of this Agreed Order.

5. Failure to Fully Perform

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this Attachment A, including full expenditure of the SEP Offset Amount and submittal of the required reporting described in Sections 2 through 4 above, the Executive Director ("ED") may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Offset Amount as set forth in the attached Agreed Order.

In the event the ED determines that the Respondent failed to fully implement and complete the Project, the Respondent shall remit payment for all or a portion of the SEP Offset Amount, as determined by the ED, and as set forth in the attached Agreed Order. After receiving notice of failure to complete the SEP, the Respondent shall include the docket number of the attached Agreed Order and a note that the enclosed payment is for reimbursement of a SEP, shall make the check payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality," and shall mail it to:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Litigation Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

6. Publicity

Any public statements concerning this Project made by or on behalf of the Respondent must include a clear statement that **the Project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the TCEQ**. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

7. Recognition

The Respondent may not seek recognition for this project in any other state or federal regulatory program.

8. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment A and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.

Penalty Calculation Worksheet (PCW) Policy Revision 4 (April 2014) PCW Revision March 26, 2014 Assigned 3-Nov-2014 Screening 4-Nov-2014 PCW 31-Dec-2014 **EPA Due** RESPONDENT/FACILITY INFORMATION Respondent City of Huntington Reg. Ent. Ref. No. RN102184355 Facility/Site Region 10-Beaumont Major/Minor Source Minor CASE INFORMATION Enf./Case ID No. 49607 No. of Violations 2 Docket No. 2014-1648-MWD-E Order Type 1660 Media Program(s) Water Quality Government/Non-Profit Yes Multi-Media Enf. Coordinator Larry Butler EC's Team Enforcement Team 3 Admin. Penalty \$ Limit Minimum Maximum \$25,000 Penalty Calculation Section TOTAL BASE PENALTY (Sum of violation base penalties) Subtotal 1 \$6,250 ADJUSTMENTS (+/-) TO SUBTOTAL 1 Subtotals 2-7 are obtained by multiplying the Total Base Penalty (Subtotal 1) by the indicated percentage. Compliance History 65.0% Enhancement Subtotals 2, 3, & 7 \$4,062 Enhancement for eight months of self-reported effluent violations and Notes one agreed order without a denial of liability. Culpability 0.0% Enhancement Subtotal 4 \$0 The Respondent does not meet the culpability criteria. Notes Good Faith Effort to Comply Total Adjustments Subtotal 5 \$0 **Economic Benefit** \$0 0.0% Enhancement* Subtotal 6 Total EB Amounts Capped at the Total EB \$ Amount \$21,213 Estimated Cost of Compliance SUM OF SUBTOTALS 1-7 Final Subtotal \$10,312 OTHER FACTORS AS JUSTICE MAY REQUIRE 0.0% \$0 Adjustment Reduces or enhances the Final Subtotal by the indicated percentage.

Deferral offered for expedited settlement.

Final Penalty Amount

Final Assessed Penalty

20.0% Reduction Adjustment

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PAYABLE PENALTY

STATUTORY LIMIT ADJUSTMENT

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Screening Date 4-Nov-2014

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Respondent City of Huntington Case ID No. 49607

Reg. Ent. Reference No. RN102184355 Media [Statute] Water Quality Enf. Coordinator Larry Butler

Compliance History Worksheet

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	Any agreed final enforcement orders containing a denial of liability (number of orders meeting criteria)	0	0%	
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Emissions	Chronic excessive emissions events (number of events)	0	0%	
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City of Huntington Docket No. 2014-1648-MWD-E TPDES Permit No. WQ0010191001

Effluent Parameter Violation Table

	Amn	onia Nitro	gen	TSS	E.	coli			
	Daily Average Conc.	Single Grab Conc.	Daily Average Loading	Daily Average Conc.	Daily Average Conc.	Single Grab Conc.			
Month/Year	Limit: 3 mg/L	Limit: 15 mg/L	Limit: 11 lbs/d	Limit: 15 mg/L	Limit: 126 CFU/100 ml	Limit: 394 CFU/100 ml			
December 2013	С	С	С	17.4	143	c			
January 2014	3.26	С	С	С	с	с			
February 2014	3.2	c	С	С	С	2,599			
April 2014	4.5	С	С	С	с	С			
May 2014	13.2	45.9	22	С	С	с			

ml = milliliter

mg/L = milligrams per liter

lbs/d = pounds per day

Conc. = Concentration

CFU = colony forming unit

E. coli = Escherichia coli

TSS = total suspended solids

c = compliant

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COMPliance History Report

PUBLISHED Compliance History Report for CN600738157, RN102184355, Rating Year 2014 which includes Compliance History (CH) components from September 1, 2009, through August 31, 2014.

Customer, Respondent, CN600738157, City of Huntington

Classification: SATISFACTORY

Rating: 21.10

or Owner/Operator: **Regulated Entity:**

RN102184355, CITY OF HUNTINGTON

Classification: SATISFACTORY

Rating: 26.00

Complexity Points:

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Repeat Violator: NO

CH Group:

08 - Sewage Treatment Facilities

Location:

located approximately one mile southeast of the intersection of United States Highway 69 and Farm-to-Market

Road 1669 between the Southern Pacific Railroad and Shawnee Creek in Angelina County, Texas

TCEQ Region:

REGION 10 - BEAUMONT

ID Number(s):

WASTEWATER PERMIT WQ0010191001

WASTEWATER EPA ID TX0053422

WASTEWATER LICENSING LICENSE WQ0010191001

Compliance History Period: September 01, 2009 to August 31, 2014

Rating Year: 2014

Rating Date: 09/01/2014

Date Compliance History Report Prepared: December 30, 2014

Agency Decision Requiring Compliance History:

Component Period Selected: December 30, 2009 to December 30, 2014

TCEQ Staff Member to Contact for Additional Information Regarding This Compliance History.

Name: Larry Butler

Phone: (512) 239-2543

Site and Owner/Operator History:

1) Has the site been in existence and/or operation for the full five year compliance period?

YES

2) Has there been a (known) change in ownership/operator of the site during the compliance period?

NO

3) If YES for #2, who is the current owner/operator?

N/A

4) If YES for #2, who was/were the prior

N/A

owner(s)/operator(s)?

5) If **YES**, when did the change(s) in owner or operator

occur?

Components (Multimedia) for the Site Are Listed in Sections A - J

A. Final Orders, court judgments, and consent decrees:

Effective Date: 12/15/2012 ADMINORDER 2011-0504-MWD-E (Findings Order-Agreed Order Without Denial)

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(5)

Ramt Prov: OpR PERMIT

Classification: Moderate

Description: Failure by the City of Huntington to install and maintain adequate safeguards to prevent the discharge of untreated or inadequately treated wastes during electrical power failures.

Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(5)

Ramt Prov: OpR PERMIT

Description: Failure by the City of Huntington to properly operate and maintain units of treatment and collection.

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Rqmt Prov:PC PERMIT

Description: Failure by the City of Huntington to prevent unauthorized discharge of waste into or adjacent to water in the

state at any location not permitted as an outfall.

Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 319, SubChapter A 319.11

Rqmt Prov:MRR PERMIT

Description: Failure by the City of Huntington to properly complete COC forms.

Classification: Minor

Citation: 30 TAC Chapter 319, SubChapter A 319.11

Ramt Prov: MRR PERMIT

Description: Failed to maintain secondary standards used to perform accuracy checks

Classification: Moderate

Citation: 2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)(1)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(4)

Rqmt Prov:ELMR PERMIT

Description: Failure by the City of Huntington to prevent the discharge of visible foam to the receiving stream.

B. Criminal convictions:

N/A

C. Chronic excessive emissions events:

N/A

D. The approval dates of investigations (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

Item 1	January 12, 2010	(809598)	Item 25	March 19, 2012	(1004110)
Item 2	February 12, 2010	(809590)	Item 26	April 23, 2012	(1010673)
Item 3	March 09, 2010	(832623)	Item 27	May 21, 2012	(1017051)
Item 4	April 12, 2010	(832624)	Item 28	June 21, 2012	(1024816)
Item 5	May 10, 2010	(832625)	Item 29	July 19, 2012	(1032173)
Item 6	June 07, 2010	(846817)	Item 30	August 17, 2012	(1038601)
Item 7	June 30, 2010	(926831)	Item 31	September 24, 2012	(1047470)
Item 8	August 09, 2010	(926832)	Item 32	October 19, 2012	(1064011)
Item 9	September 14, 2010	(926833)	Item 33	November 26, 2012	(1064012)
Item 10	October 12, 2010	(882093)	Item 34	December 27, 2012	(1064013)
Item 11	November 10, 2010	(888563)	Item 35	January 17, 2013	(1080302)
Item 12	December 06, 2010	(896908)	Item 36	March 18, 2013	(1089941)
Item 13	January 10, 2011	(902854)	Item 37	April 15, 2013	(1096336)
Item 14	February 14, 2011	(909704)	Item 38	May 17, 2013	(1107280)
Item 15	March 07, 2011	(916920)	Item 39	June 26, 2013	(1110945)
Item 16	April 11, 2011	(926830)	Item 40	July 16, 2013	(1117816)
Item 17	May 16, 2011	(938642)	Item 41	August 20, 2013	(1125603)
. Item 18	July 15, 2011	(953268)	Item 42	September 19, 2013	(1130169)
Item 19	August 22, 2011	(959909)	Item 43	October 10, 2013	(1135925)
Item 20	September 12, 2011	(965948)	Item 44	November 22, 2013	(1141318)
Item 21	October 18, 2011	(971990)	Item 45	December 23, 2013	(1147783)
Item 22	November 17, 2011	(978155)	Item 46	April 22, 2014	(1174946)
Item 23	December 16, 2011	(984925)	Item 47	October 23, 2014	(1212846)
Item 24	January 17, 2012	(991214)			

E. Written notices of violations (NOV) (CCEDS Inv. Track. No.):

A notice of violation represents a written allegation of a violation of a specific regulatory requirement from the commission to a regulated entity. A notice of violation is not a final enforcement action, nor proof that a violation has actually occurred.

1 Date: 12/31/2013 (1153835) Self Report? YES CN600738157

Classification:

Moderate

Citation:

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description: Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

2 Date: 01/31/2014 (1161165) Self Report? YES CN600738157

Classification: Moderate

Citation:

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

3 Date:

02/28/2014 (1167821)

CN600738157

Classification: Moderate

Citation:

Self Report? YES

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

Date: 4

04/30/2014 (1181149)

CN600738157

Self Report? YES

Classification:

Citation:

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a) 30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

Date:

05/31/2014 (1188049)

CN600738157

Self Report? YES

Classification:

Moderate

Moderate

Citation:

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

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Date: 06/30/2014 (1199600) Self Report? YES

CN600738157

Classification: Moderate

Citation:

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

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07/31/2014 (1199601) Date: Self Report? YES

CN600738157

Classification: Moderate

Citation:

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

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08/31/2014 (1206436) Date: Self Report? YES

CN600738157 Classification:

Moderate

Citation:

2D TWC Chapter 26, SubChapter A 26.121(a)

30 TAC Chapter 305, SubChapter F 305.125(1)

Description:

Failure to meet the limit for one or more permit parameter

F. Environmental audits:

N/A

G. Type of environmental management systems (EMSs):

N/A

H. Voluntary on-site compliance assessment dates:

N/A

I. Participation in a voluntary pollution reduction program:

N/A

J. Early compliance:

Sites Outside of Texas:

N/A

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TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY



IN THE MATTER OF AN	Š	BEFORE THE
ENFORCEMENT ACTION	§	
CONCERNING	§	TEXAS COMMISSION ON
CITY OF HUNTINGTON	§	
RN102184355	§	ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

AGREED ORDER DOCKET NO. 2014-1648-MWD-E

I. JURISDICTION AND STIPULATIONS

- 1. The Respondent owns and operates a wastewater treatment facility located approximately one mile southeast of the intersection of United States Highway 69 and Farm-to-Market Road 1669 between the Southern Pacific Railroad and Shawnee Creek, Angelina County, Texas (the "Facility").
- 2. The Respondent has discharged municipal waste into or adjacent to any water in the state under Tex. WATER CODE ch. 26.
- 3. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree that the Commission has jurisdiction to enter this Agreed Order, and that the Respondent is subject to the Commission's jurisdiction.
- 4. The Respondent received notice of the violations alleged in Section II ("Allegations") on October 28, 2014.
- 5. The occurrence of any violation is in dispute and the entry of this Agreed Order shall not constitute an admission by the Respondent of any violation alleged in Section II ("Allegations"), nor of any statute or rule.
- 6. An administrative penalty in the amount of Ten Thousand Three Hundred Twelve Dollars (\$10,312) is assessed by the Commission in settlement of the violations alleged in

Section II ("Allegations"). Two Thousand Sixty-Two Dollars (\$2,062) is deferred contingent upon the Respondent's timely and satisfactory compliance with all the terms of this Agreed Order. The deferred amount will be waived upon full compliance with the terms of this Agreed Order. If the Respondent fails to timely and satisfactorily comply with all requirements of this Agreed Order, the Executive Director may require the Respondent to pay all or part of the deferred penalty. Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,250) shall be conditionally offset by the Respondent's completion of a Compliance Supplemental Environmental Project ("C-SEP").

- 7. Any notice and procedures, which might otherwise be authorized or required in this action, are waived in the interest of a more timely resolution of the matter.
- 8. The Executive Director and the Respondent agree on a settlement of the matters alleged in this enforcement action, subject to final approval in accordance with 30 TEX. ADMIN. CODE § 70.10(a).
- 9. The Executive Director may, without further notice or hearing, refer this matter to the Office of the Attorney General of the State of Texas ("OAG") for further enforcement proceedings if the Executive Director determines that the Respondent has not complied with one or more of the terms or conditions in this Agreed Order.
- 10. This Agreed Order shall terminate five years from its effective date or upon compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order, whichever is later.
- 11. The provisions of this Agreed Order are deemed severable and, if a court of competent jurisdiction or other appropriate authority deems any provision of this Agreed Order unenforceable, the remaining provisions shall be valid and enforceable.

II. ALLEGATIONS

As owner and operator of the Facility, the Respondent is alleged to have failed to comply with permitted effluent limits, in violation of Tex. Water Code § 26.121(a)(1), 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 305.125(1), and Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System ("TPDES") Permit No. WQ0010191001, Effluent Limitations and Monitoring Requirements No. 1, as documented during a record review conducted on July 30, 2014, and shown in the violation table below:

Effluent Parameter Violation Table						
	Ammonia Nitrogen		TSS	E. coli		
	Daily Average Conc.	Single Grab Conc.	Daily Average Loading	Daily Average Conc.	Daily Average Conc.	Single Grab Conc.
Month/Year	Limit: 3 mg/L	Limit: 15 mg/L	Limit: 11 lbs/d	Limit: 15 mg/L	Limit: 126 CFU/100 ml	Limit: 394 CFU/100 ml
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CFU = colony forming unit *E. coli* = *Escherichia coli*

TSS = total suspended solids

c = compliant

III. DENIALS

The Respondent generally denies each allegation in Section II ("Allegations").

IV. ORDERING PROVISIONS

1. It is, therefore, ordered by the TCEQ that the Respondent pay an administrative penalty as set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above. The payment of this administrative penalty and the Respondent's compliance with all the terms and conditions set forth in this Agreed Order resolve only the allegations in Section II. The Commission shall not be constrained in any manner from requiring corrective action or penalties for violations which are not raised here. Administrative penalty payments shall be made payable to "TCEQ" and shall be sent with the notation "Re: City of Huntington, Docket No. 2014-1648-MWD-E" to:

Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section Attention: Cashier's Office, MC 214 Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13088 Austin, Texas 78711-3088 City of Huntington DOCKET NO. 2014-1648-MWD-E Page 4

- 2. The Respondent shall implement and complete a C-SEP in accordance with Tex. Water Code § 7.067. As set forth in Section I, Paragraph 6 above, Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,250) of the assessed administrative penalty shall be offset with the condition that the C-SEP defined in Attachment A, incorporated herein by reference, is implemented by the Respondent. The Respondent's obligation to pay the conditionally offset portion of the assessed administrative penalty shall be discharged upon final completion of all provisions of the C-SEP agreement.
- 3. The Respondent shall, within 270 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, submit written certification of compliance with the permitted effluent limitations of TPDES Permit No. WQ0010191001, including specific corrective actions that were implemented at the Facility to achieve compliance and copies of the most current self-reported discharge monitoring reports, demonstrating at least three consecutive months of compliance with all permitted effluent limitations. The certification shall be notarized by a State of Texas Notary Public and include the following certification language:

"I certify under penalty of law that I have personally examined and am familiar with the information submitted and all attached documents, and that based on my inquiry of those individuals immediately responsible for obtaining the information, I believe that the submitted information is true, accurate and complete. I am aware that there are significant penalties for submitting false information, including the possibility of fines and imprisonment for knowing violations."

The certification shall be submitted to:

Order Compliance Team Enforcement Division, MC 149A Texas Commission on Environmental Quality P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

with a copy to:

Water Section Manager Beaumont Regional Office Texas Commission on Environmental Quality 3870 Eastex Freeway Beaumont, Texas 77703-1892

- 4. The provisions of this Agreed Order shall apply to and be binding upon the Respondent. The Respondent is ordered to give notice of the Agreed Order to personnel who maintain day-to-day control over the Facility operations referenced in this Agreed Order.
- 5. If the Respondent fails to comply with any of the Ordering Provisions in this Agreed Order within the prescribed schedules, and that failure is caused solely by an act of God, war, strike, riot, or other catastrophe, the Respondent's failure to comply is not a violation of this Agreed Order. The Respondent shall have the burden of establishing to the Executive Director's satisfaction that such an event has occurred. The Respondent shall notify the Executive Director within seven days after the Respondent becomes aware of a delaying event and shall take all reasonable measures to mitigate and minimize any delay.

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- 6. The Executive Director may grant an extension of any deadline in this Agreed Order or in any plan, report, or other document submitted pursuant to this Agreed Order, upon a written and substantiated showing of good cause. All requests for extensions by the Respondent shall be made in writing to the Executive Director. Extensions are not effective until the Respondent receives written approval from the Executive Director. The determination of what constitutes good cause rests solely with the Executive Director.
- 7. This Agreed Order, issued by the Commission, shall not be admissible against the Respondent in a civil proceeding, unless the proceeding is brought by the OAG to: (1) enforce the terms of this Agreed Order; or (2) pursue violations of a statute within the Commission's jurisdiction, or of a rule adopted or an order or permit issued by the Commission under such a statute.
- 8. This Agreed Order may be executed in separate and multiple counterparts, which together shall constitute a single instrument. Any page of this Agreed Order may be copied, scanned, digitized, converted to electronic portable document format ("pdf"), or otherwise reproduced and may be transmitted by digital or electronic transmission, including but not limited to facsimile transmission and electronic mail. Any signature affixed to this Agreed Order shall constitute an original signature for all purposes and may be used, filed, substituted, or issued for any purpose for which an original signature could be used. The term "signature" shall include manual signatures and true and accurate reproductions of manual signatures created, executed, endorsed, adopted, or authorized by the person or persons to whom the signatures are attributable. Signatures may be copied or reproduced digitally, electronically, by photocopying, engraving, imprinting, lithographing, electronic mail, facsimile transmission, stamping, or any other means or process which the Executive Director deems acceptable. In this paragraph exclusively, the terms "electronic transmission", "owner", "person", "writing", and "written" shall have the meanings assigned to them under TEX. BUS. ORG. CODE § 1.002.
- 9. Under 30 Tex. Admin. Code § 70.10(b), the effective date is the date of hand-delivery of the Order to the Respondent, or three days after the date on which the Commission mails notice of the Order to the Respondent, whichever is earlier.

SIGNATURE PAGE

TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

For the Commission	
Pans somi	5/9/15
For the Executive Director	Date
agree to the attached Agreed Order on behalf	If the attached Agreed Order. I am authorized to of the entity indicated below my signature, and I did therein. I further acknowledge that the TCEQ, in materially relying on such representation.
 additional penalties, and/or attorney for any future enformation. Automatic referral to the Attorney Genand. TCEQ seeking other relief as authorized. 	ont, may result in: ory; tions submitted; eneral's Office for contempt, injunctive relief, fees, or to a collection agency; rement actions; neral's Office of any future enforcement actions;
Frank Harres Signature	3-6-15 Date
Frank Hams Name (Printed or typed) Authorized Representative of City of Huntington	Mayor Title

Instructions: Send the original, signed Agreed Order with penalty payment to the Financial Administration Division, Revenue Operations Section at the address in Section IV, Paragraph 1 of this Agreed Order.

Attachment A

Docket Number: 2014-1648-MWD-E SUPPLEMENTAL ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECT

Respondent:	City of Huntington	
Penalty Amount:	Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,250)	
SEP Offset Amount:	Eight Thousand Two Hundred Fifty Dollars (\$8,250)	
Type of SEP:	Compliance SEP	
Project Name:	Wastewater Treatment Plant Improvements	
Location of SEP:	Angelina County	

The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality ("TCEQ") agrees to offset the administrative Penalty Amount assessed in this Agreed Order for the Respondent to perform a Supplemental Environmental Project ("SEP"). The SEP Offset Amount is set forth above and such offset is conditioned upon completion of the project in accordance with the terms of this Attachment A.

1. Project Description

A. Project

The Respondent is a Local Government that qualifies under Texas Water Code § 7.067 to apply the SEP Offset Amount set forth above to correct violations at its wastewater treatment plant, which are described in this Agreed Order. This Agreed Order cites violations at the Respondent's wastewater treatment plant (WWTP). The Respondent shall purchase and install two floating aerators for the WWTP's diversion pond and diffusers for the chlorine contact chamber (the "Project"). The Respondent shall solicit bids from qualified and licensed contractors to install the floating aerators and diffusers. Specifically, the SEP Offset Amount shall be used for materials, supplies, contract labor, and equipment, and for one or more of the following: floating aerators, and diffusers.

Any advertisements, including solicitation for bids publication related to the SEP, must include the enforcement statement as stated in Section 6, Publicity. The Project will be performed in accordance with all federal, state, and local environmental laws and regulations, including obtaining any permits that may be required prior to commencement of the work.

The Respondent shall use the SEP Offset Amount only for the direct cost of implementing the Project, including supplies, materials, and equipment rentals, as listed in Subsection C, Minimum Expenditure, Estimated Cost Schedule. No portion of the SEP Offset Amount shall be spent on administrative costs, including but not limited to operating costs, reporting expenses, handling of expenses, project coordination, liability, or equipment breakdowns.

The Respondent's signature affixed to the attached Agreed Order certifies that the Respondent is performing the Compliance SEP solely as part of the terms of settlement in this enforcement action.

B. Environmental Benefit

This SEP will provide a discernible environmental benefit by improving the quality of wastewater effluent being released into the environment. Inadequately treated effluent can carry bacteria, viruses, protozoa (parasitic organisms), helminthes (intestinal worms), and bioaerosols (inhalable molds and fungi). The diseases they may cause range in severity from mild gastroenteritis (causing stomach cramps and diarrhea) to life-threatening ailments such as cholera, dysentery, infectious hepatitis, and severe gastroenteritis.

C. Minimum Expenditure

The Respondent shall spend at least the SEP Offset Amount to complete the Project described in Section 1, above, and comply with all other provisions of this SEP. The Respondent understands that it may cost more than the SEP Offset Amount to complete the Project.

Estimated Cost Schedule

Item	Quantity	Cost	Units	Total
Floating Aerator including installation, piping, and electrical work	2	\$3,500	Each	\$7,000
Diffusers for Chlorine Contact Chamber including installation, piping and electrical work	1	\$1,250	Each	\$1,250
Total		-		\$8,250

2. Performance Schedule

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent shall begin implementation of the SEP. The Respondent shall have completed the SEP in its entirety within 180 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order.

3. Records and Reporting

A. Progress Report

Within 30 days after the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent shall submit a Notice of Commencement to the TCEQ describing actions performed to date to implement the Project. Within 90 days of the effective date of this Agreed Order, the Respondent shall submit a report detailing the progress made and all actions completed on the Project during the previous 60-day period and setting forth a schedule for

achieving completion of the Project within the 180-day time-frame set forth in Section 2, Performance Schedule, above. Thereafter, the Respondent shall submit progress reports to the TCEQ containing detailed information on all actions completed on the Project to date as set forth in the Reporting Schedule table below:

Days from Effective Order Date	Information Required
30	Notice of Commencement describing actions taken to begin project
90	Actions completed during previous 60-day period
180	Notice of SEP completion

B. Final Report

Within 180 days after the effective date of the Agreed Order, or within 30 days after completion of SEP, whichever is earlier, the Respondent shall submit a Final Report to the TCEQ, which shall include the following:

- 1. Itemized list of expenditures and total cost of the Project;
- 2. Copies of invoices, paid receipts, cleared checks or payment records corresponding to the itemized list in paragraph 3.B.1., above;
- 3. Proof of publication of invitation for bids (publication must include the enforcement statement, as stated in Section 6, Publicity;
- 4. Dated photographs of the purchased equipment; the equipment being removed; before and after work being performed during the installation process; and of the completed Project;
- 5. A notarized/certified statement and supporting documentation demonstrating the quantifiable environmental benefits achieved as a result of the Project; and
- 6. Any additional information demonstrating compliance with this Attachment A.

C. Address

The Respondent shall submit all SEP reports and any additional information as requested to the following address:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Litigation Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

4. Additional Information and Access

The Respondent shall provide additional information as requested by TCEQ staff, and shall allow access to all records related to the SEP Offset Amount. The Respondent shall also allow representatives of the TCEQ access to the site of any work being financed in whole or in part by the SEP Offset Amount. This provision shall survive the termination of this Agreed Order.

5. Failure to Fully Perform

If the Respondent does not perform its obligations under this Attachment A, including full expenditure of the SEP Offset Amount and submittal of the required reporting described in Sections 2 through 4 above, the Executive Director ("ED") may require immediate payment of all or part of the SEP Offset Amount as set forth in the attached Agreed Order.

In the event the ED determines that the Respondent failed to fully implement and complete the Project, the Respondent shall remit payment for all or a portion of the SEP Offset Amount, as determined by the ED, and as set forth in the attached Agreed Order. After receiving notice of failure to complete the SEP, the Respondent shall include the docket number of the attached Agreed Order and a note that the enclosed payment is for reimbursement of a SEP, shall make the check payable to "Texas Commission on Environmental Quality," and shall mail it to:

Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Litigation Division Attention: SEP Coordinator, MC 175 P.O. Box 13087 Austin, Texas 78711-3087

6. Publicity

Any public statements concerning this Project made by or on behalf of the Respondent must include a clear statement that **the Project was performed as part of the settlement of an enforcement action brought by the TCEQ**. Such statements include advertising, public relations, and press releases.

7. Recognition

The Respondent may not seek recognition for this project in any other state or federal regulatory program.

8. Other SEPs by TCEQ or Other Agencies

The SEP Offset Amount identified in this Attachment A and in the attached Agreed Order has not been, and shall not be, included as a SEP for the Respondent under any other Agreed Order negotiated with the TCEQ or any other agency of the state or federal government.